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WHAT THE GERMANS
ARE SAYING.

Nothing could show better the fallacy
of doubting that Germany must be
beaten before peace is possible than Ger-
man comments on the capture of Riga.
All the world knows that on account of
the complete disorganisation of Russia,
Riga fell like a ripe plum into the hands
of the Germans. But they have made
a great military victory of it. Major
Morab, who may be taken as typical of
the military scribes who have launched
into wild panegyrics on German prowess,
wrote in the "Deutsche Tageszeitung":
"Another heroic achievement has been
added to the long list of heroic deeds
performed by our army during the
summer. Our enemies will doubtless
realise that the will to victory of our
Army, of our leaders and of by far the
greater number of our people is unshakable.
It may well be unshakable, because
our leaders enjoy the un-
shaken confidence of all who
love the Fatherland." The Kaiser
stopped his now familiar, bleating
about Germany being engaged only on a
holy war of defence. He hurried to
Riga, and, according to the "German"
"wireless," in the course of a speech to
the troops, proclaimed unmistakably
that Germany, unless she is beaten, in-
tends to adhere to all the country she
has overrun. "Riga," he said, "is free. As
this announcement resounded through-
out Germany, there arose in the Father-
land and even as far away as the remotest
trenches in enemy lands, a storm of
rejoicing and enthusiasm. The old town,
established by the spirit of the Ger-
man Hansa League, which had always
striven to maintain the German spirit
and the German manners, has passed
through hard times. This town has
once again been freed after long op-
pression. And so, were the Allies
to take their hand from the plough
before the destruction of the German
military spirit had been accomplished,
there is no part of the world to which
at some time or another, a German mili-
tary or commercial spy had penetrated,
that the Kaiser would not claim, could
he lay hands on it. Wherever Germans
have been allowed to enter, by the kind-
ly-ty of other peoples, they land the
Kaiser regards as the legitimate prey of
Germany. In the case of Riga, the
Kaiser, intoxicated by a success that
came just in time to revive the drooping
spirit of Germany made a cynical con-
fession of what "freedom" by German means
he wanted to say. "The harvest is
goodness and willful us. Herein lies the
Lord God of Hosts has heard our prayer,
and through daily bread has protected
this army and yours at home from want.
Poor Baltic Provinces! In 1906, they
made an unsuccessful insurrection, not
against Russia, but against the German
landowners. For they had killed, as
Poland, Latvia, and Lithuania know,
the German landowners."

The "Kölnische Zeitung" draws a
wide moral from the fall of Riga. Writing
on September 11 it said:—"Only military
and naval events can make the Entente
give up its opposition to peace negotia-
tions. Peace can come only when a
victoriously united Germany forces
the wirepullers in London to admit that
there is no further object in continuing
the struggle, and the fall of Riga has
brought this admission considerably
nearer."

Count Reventlow and von Tirpitz have
founded a new National Party in
Germany. Amongst their proposals for
the conditions of peace to be dictated
by Germany are the following:—
"An autonomous Flanders, with the
Walloon district under German military
control." Reventlow and his friends
believe that the Flemish part of Belgium
is already German by race, and senti-
ment, the Walloon part, which is ad-
mitted even by the Germans to be
strongly anti-German, is to be held
under the German military control.

"Courland, and especially Riga, to be-
come German." As Lithuania lies between
East Prussia and Courland, the proposal
of course includes the retention of that
country by Germany.

"The Franco-German frontier to be
rectified in order to secure the Lengwy
and Briey basins for Germany." These
regions include the most valuable min-
eral possessions of France, and there is no
doubt that the German proposal to cover
the pure greed of this proposal.

Whilst the German military party is
thus abounding in schemes of aggrava-
tion, the Germans are slowly begin-
ning to realise what it is doing for Ger-
many itself. Published statistics show
the week ending August 11, of which 389
were fatal. The Berlin papers report a
dysentery epidemic in East Prussia,
where the Berlin school children sent for
holidays had to be isolated. A Berlin
telegram of Sept. 8 stated: "Dysentery
was prevalent in July, not only in
Vienna, but throughout Lower Austria,
Bohemia, and the large German cities.
During the period July 4 to August 4
there were 297 cases in Berlin, with 168
deaths. Strict measures have been taken
in Vienna to control laundries and bath-
ing establishments. Nevertheless, dysen-
tery is increasing, because of the hot
dry weather and the insufficient nourish-
ment of large numbers of the population."

BRITISH ATHLETES.

MANY KILLED IN THE WAR.

British sportsmen continue to fall in
the great war, the latest casualty list
issued containing the names of many
well-known athletes. James Conlin, an
international soccer player who has been
killed in action, was considered one of
the most brilliant players in the country
and was unequalled in the outside left
position. He played for England against
Scotland in 1905.

Another well-known player, John Ford
of Preston, North End, has also made the
big sacrifice. Captain H. S. Sagar, the
Irish international Rugby player, who
has been wounded, played against New
Zealand in 1905 and against South
Africa a year later. Lieutenant C. M.
Skottowe, previously reported missing,
but now presumed dead, was on the
cricket and football teams at Forest
School where he held the Fives Cham-
pionship Cup in 1914 and 1915.

Trooper A. Llewellyn, killed, was a
well known pedestrian and Rugby foot-
baller, having played for Aberdilly
and Leeds Northern Union teams.
Captain H. A. Hodges, wounded, is the
famous English international and Oxford
University Rugby forward.

Major F. M. N. Wroughton, killed,
was Master of the Eton Beagles
in 1905 and 1906, and of the
Christ Church (Oxford) Beagles,
in 1907 to 1910. He won many
races, including the university point-to-
point in 1910, and was a keen sportsman,
being a fine rider both to hounds and
across country.

Lieutenant C. G. Watson, who died of
wounds, had a notable career in athletics
from his first entry at Rugby and was a
regular member of the Rugby football
team for four seasons. He represented
the school in the Public School regatta
in 1907 and 1908 at Queen's Club, and
played for Cambridge against Oxford
in 1909.

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Today's Advertisements

The China Mail

BANK HOLIDAY.

IN accordance with Ordinance No. 5 of 1915 the EXCHANGE BANKS will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business on SATURDAY, the 15th instant.
Hongkong, Dec. 12, 1917. 2381

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction (FOR ACCOUNT OF THE COMRADES),

TUESDAY,

the 18th December, 1917, commencing at 2.30 p.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vaux Road, Corner of
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Electric Reading Lamps, Blackwood and Teakwood Screens, Blackwood Furniture, including Large 4-Fold Blackwood Screens with 5-Coloured Panels, Side Tables, &c., Engravings, Pictures, &c., &c., Tennis Rackets and Net, Iron Safe, &c.
A few lots Turkish Bath Sheets, Towels, Single and Double Bed Sheets, Red Quilts, &c.
Also
Carpets, Brass Fenders, a few lots Fire Bricks, &c.
And
Two PIANOS.
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Hongkong, Dec. 12, 1917. 2382

THE CALENDAR.

MEMO FOR TOMORROW.

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Jewellery, etc. at Messrs. Hughes and Hogue's.

GENERAL MEMORANDA.

FRIDAY, Dec. 14:—
Prince Albert's birthday (1896).
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household Furniture, etc. at Messrs. Hughes and Hogue's.
5.17 p.m.—New Moon.
SATURDAY, Dec. 15:—
General Holiday.
THURSDAY, Dec. 20:—
Prince George's birthday (1902).
FRIDAY, Dec. 21:—
Hongkong Stock Exchange Settlement Day.
MONDAY, Dec. 24:—
General Holiday.
TUESDAY, Dec. 25:—
Christmas Day: General Holiday.
WEDNESDAY, Dec. 26:—
Boxing Day: General Holiday.
SATURDAY, Dec. 29:—
President Woodrow Wilson's birthday (1856).
4.40 p.m.—Total Eclipse of the Moon.
8.48 p.m.—Full Moon.
MONDAY, Dec. 31:—
Boxing Day.

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of the Turkish Empire, though if General ALLNBY pushes on rapidly to Damascus and Beirut, and a further advance is made at the same time by the Mesopotamian army along the Bagdad railway, it is quite probable that Turkey would become very anxious to make peace with her adversaries quickly.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

A Shanghai telegram reports telegraphic communication between Peking and Shanghai to be interrupted.

The President has decided to summon a conference of all parties with a view to terminating hostilities in China.

A financial panic prevails in Hankow. Several native-banks have failed, and on this account a Chinese telegram reports that money is very tight in Shanghai.

China's total length of railways, after forty years of building, says a writer in the *Far Eastern Review*, would not make a double track across the country.

Mr. T. G. Turnbull has kindly consented to show lantern views of Canada at the Helena May Institute to-morrow evening at 9.15 and will speak on "From Ocean to Ocean through Canada." Members are invited to bring friends.

A new storm signal code is to come into operation on February 1st next at the storm signal stations of the Chinese Maritime Customs, at the French Municipal storm signal station at Shanghai, and at the British storm signal station at Weihai-wei. The Customs Administration has just published the code.

Fire broke out at 5 o'clock yesterday morning on the second floor of 203 Queen's Road West, a four-story building. The second floor was occupied as a store and shop by a medicine dealer. The Fire Brigade appeared on the scene and as the result of their efforts the fire was confined to the second floor and extinguished. The damage is supposed to be slight but no definite information of the loss has been received.

The Consul-General of the United States (Mr. G. E. Anderson) entertained a large company at an informal reception at Kingsclere yesterday evening at which the Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak gave an interesting Address on the participation of the United States in the War and the impressions he had gained during his recent visit to America. The gathering included H. E. The Officer Administering the Government (the Hon. Mr. Claud Severn, C.M.G.), the Bishop of Victoria (Dr. Lander), the Chief Justice (Sir William Rees Davies, K.C.), the Puisne Judge (Mr. H. H. Gompertz), Comptroller Sandemann, K.C., the Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., and many other prominent residents.

THE EWO COTTON SPINNING AND WEAVING CO.

DECLARATION OF DIVIDEND.

Messrs. Moxen and Taylor have received cabled advice from Shanghai to the effect that the Ewo Cotton Spinning and Weaving Co., Ltd., has declared a
Dividend of T20 per share
on Ordinary shares = T300,000
Dividend of 87 per share
on Preference shares = 28,000
Placed to Depreciation Fund = 127,000
Placed to Reserve Fund = 200,000
Placed to Equalisation of Dividend Fund = 125,000
War Fund = 50,000
Bonds to Staff = 20,000
Carry Forward = 4,000

THE CHILDREN'S COLDS.

WATCH the children's colds and sore throats before they become the serious illness of Measles, Chicken Pox, or Whooping Cough. It is perfectly safe to use the children's cold remedy, which has been used for years by thousands of mothers and is now being used by the children of the world.

THE SITUATION IN CHINA.

THE ATTITUDE OF THE SOUTH-WEST.

The Intelligence Bureau of Canton communicates the following:—
An expeditionary force to Fukien to oust the Northerners there left Canton recently by marching overland. To-day another force, escorted by a portion of the Chinese Navy, is sailing out for a place still undisclosed.

The long desire of the Cantonese and the leaders of the South-West for a peaceful settlement of the present struggle has not yet been realized because of the refusal of the Peking Government to take the necessary action to recognize the Provisional Constitution by reorganizing the National Assembly in regular session without further interference from militarists mixing in political affairs. It is believed that the war of democracy against militarism in China has to be continued.

The recent resignation of Tuan Chih-jui and the reorganization of the illegal cabinet at Peking did not solve the pending question. While Tuan who has been responsible for the unlawful dissolution of the National Assembly and the violation of the Provisional Constitution has now resigned, the wrong done is not righted until the Constitution which the South-West is trying to uphold is respected and observed by those who claim to be the Government at Peking.

The South-West cannot sanction the breach of the Provisional Constitution in any part, however slight, as doing so will render the future laws of the country unsafe and subject the Republic to perpetual disorder.

According to the South-Western leaders, no peace will last long unless those opposing democracy can be made to understand that in a republic the fundamental law of the land can only be amended by representatives of the people in accordance with the law.

The South-West has not been fighting against Tuan alone but also against the illegality of the Peking Government. The Government of the Republic of China is not complete without its legislative branch, the National Assembly. Unless this Assembly is allowed to reconvene regularly, it is not believed peace will be possible.

A SOLICITOR AND HIS COMPROMISE.

"A DISGRACEFUL SCANDAL"

In the Bankruptcy Court yesterday there came up for public examination one Ma Pak To, who ascribed his insolvency to debts owing to him by Mr. E. M. Tozer, a solicitor by whom he had been employed as a compromise. He stated, in the course of his examination, that Mr. Tozer owed him \$9,000. He advanced to Mr. Tozer between \$5,000 and \$6,000 for office expenses; he had deposited with him \$500 as security, which had not been returned; he had also paid the rent of the offices at Mr. Tozer's request, amounting to \$840, and Mr. Tozer owed him his salary of \$150 a month for twenty-seven months.

Asked by his Lordship the Chief Justice whether he had applied to Mr. Tozer for the money since he left the Colony, debtor said he had had no trace of him.

The Official Receiver said he believed Mr. Tozer was in Singapore.

His Lordship said he felt it his duty to say that it was a disgraceful scandal that a solicitor practising in the Supreme Court should be guilty of such conduct as that described. He hoped his words would be conveyed to him.

The Official Receiver (Mr. Nisbet) asked if his Lordship would like him to convey his remarks to the Official Assignee in Singapore.

His Lordship answered affirmatively and added that he would send the matter home to the Incorporated Law Society, so that if he returned to practise in England they would have an opportunity of dealing with him.

Debtor, in reply to further questions said he would be perfectly solvent if he obtained payment of the money owing to him by Mr. Tozer. He was 57 years of age and is now acting as a broker.

His Lordship said he was sorry for the debtor and wished he could help him. The examination was closed.

UNNECESSARY WORKS.

WHY waste words and advertising space in describing the many cases of children's colds and sore throats which are caused by the use of the children's cold remedy? It is perfectly safe to use the children's cold remedy, which has been used for years by thousands of mothers and is now being used by the children of the world.

THE MAGISTRACY.

ALLEGED ADULTERATIONS OF MILK.

The proprietor of the On Look Yuen restaurant at Des Vaux Road Central was charged before Mr. Dyer Ball this morning with selling milk which had been adulterated.

Mr. Hind appeared to conduct the defence of the accused who pleaded not guilty.

It was stated by Sanitary Inspector Haigh that he went to the On Look Yuen restaurant and bought a bottle of milk. When the bottle was brought to him he examined the seal and found it to be intact. He then took one part of the milk to the Analyst for analysis and the result was that the milk was found to be adulterated with water to the extent of 14 per cent. It was his opinion that the seal had not been tampered with. The seal was a tag covered with wax and was in the same condition as those sold by the Dairy Farm.

Evidence was given by an assistant of the restaurant who stated that the milk used in the restaurant was supplied by the Dairy Farm.

Mr. Hind submitted that the seal of the Dairy Farm was a warranty that the milk was pure, and quoted several cases to support his submission. It was quite possible that in cases where thousands of bottles had to be washed and refilled that a quantity of water left in a bottle would not be noticed when refilled. He added that he would like to draw his Worship's attention to the question as to whether it was obligatory on him to notify the Dairy Farm on the line of defence he adopted. The legal procedure in Hongkong was different from that in England where it was obligatory.

His Worship said that as there was no proof that the defendant did tamper with the milk he would give him the benefit of the doubt. Defendant was discharged.

The master of the Ka Po Ting restaurant at No. 9 Possession Street was also charged before Mr. Dyer Ball with selling milk which had been adulterated.

Sanitary Inspector R. C. Witcheil prosecuted.

Defendant pleaded not guilty, stating that he bought the milk from a dairy at Tai Hang village. He did not adulterate the milk, but only sold it as it came, untampered.

Inspector Witcheil deposed that he bought a bottle of milk from the defendant's shop, and after dividing it into three parts, gave one part to the defendant while another part was taken to the Government Analyst. The result of the analysis proved the milk to be adulterated with water to the extent of 16 per cent.

As the defendant was unable to prove that he did not tamper with the milk, His Worship imposed on him a fine of \$25.

LOTTERY TICKETS.

A Chinese was arrested yesterday in Connaught Road West, having in his possession a quantity of Po Pin lottery tickets with a view to sale.

When charged before Mr. Wood this morning, defendant admitted the possession and gave the excuse that the tickets were given him by a seaman on board *Paul Ben* to carry ashore.

His story failed to convince the Magistrate, who fined him \$50 with the alternative of one month's hard labour.

AN OPIUM CASE.

A Chinese employed as cook on board *s.s. Maunsey* was charged before Mr. J. R. Wood this morning with the unlawful possession of three tins of prepared opium without a permit.

Defendant admitted the possession and pleaded in extenuation of the offence that he was a stranger to the Colony and did not know the law.

His excuse, however, was not good enough and he was fined \$250 with the alternative of three months' hard labour.

THEFT OF WAR DEPARTMENT PROPERTY.

A Chinese was charged before Mr. Wood this morning with the robbery of a quantity of wire and metals from the War Department.

Defendant pleaded not guilty, stating that he picked up the metals from a rubbish underneath a bridge in Conduit Road.

Corpl. Heath, R.E., claimed the wire and metals as property of the War Department.

Corpl. Hunt, R.E., stated that the wire was one of frequent thefts which occurred lately. Wholesale thefts of W.D. property had been taking place systematically a few months ago, and about two weeks ago as much as £150 worth of steel had been stolen.

SUPREME COURT.

APPLICATION BY UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON.

A very interesting outline of the prosperous history of the Union Insurance Society of Canton was given at the Supreme Court this morning when Mr. E. H. Sharp K.C. applied on behalf of the Society, to the Chief Justice, Sir William Rees Davies, K.C., for confirmation by the Court of certain alterations to the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Society, which had already been passed and confirmed by special resolution by the Company.

Mr. Sharp stated that the petition which was before His Lordship had been signed by Mr. Ede, the General Manager, and by Messrs P. H. Holyoak and A. U. Lang, Directors of the Company. He proposed to give His Lordship an outline of the history of the Society and to state the reasons for the alteration of the memorandum with some reference to the financial position of the Society. The Society was incorporated in its present form in 1882, but existed long before that date. It was started in 1835 by some British merchants in Canton and from that time until the present date the shares had been held by British subjects and it was therefore essentially a British concern. In 1841, when Hongkong was ceded to the British, the business was transferred to Hongkong. The Company had been extraordinarily successful and its progress and expansion had been continuous and increasing. The original paid-up capital of the Company in 1835 was a quarter of a million dollars, with an authorised capital of \$1,230,000. The authorised capital to-day is \$4,000,000, of which \$1,500,000 is paid-up. In addition to this the Company had accumulated Reserve funds of over \$4,500,000, which with its uncalculated capital of nearly \$2,500,000 made the practical reserve amount to nearly \$7,000,000. The profits distributed among the shareholders were as astonishing. Since 1871 the Society had paid in dividends over \$11,000,000 and a further amount previous to that date of which he had no figures. In 1895 and 1903 the paid-up capital was increased out of surplus profits without any call being made on the shareholders, by doubling the value of the shares, the first time from \$25 to \$50 and then from \$50 to \$100 a share. Also the shareholders had received bonuses amounting to three-quarters of the value of the shares, a privilege which the shareholders of very few companies had enjoyed. The Society had from time to time extended its sphere of operations and established branches in London, Shanghai, Japan, the Straits Settlements, Australia, New Zealand, Canada and elsewhere, and to-day the Society had branches and agencies in nearly all parts of the world. Mr. C. Montague Ede, the General Manager, had been in charge of the affairs of the Society for the last ten years, and he (Mr. Sharp) might say that since Mr. Ede assumed control it has been the period of the Society's greatest success and expansion. This brief résumé of the Society's financial history would show that the Society had sufficient capital and assets for its proposed additional business. He would point out to His Lordship that people who wanted to be insured would naturally prefer an office which undertakes insurance generally to getting separate policies with different firms, each taking up one policy for one kind of risk—fire, marine, accidents, etc., etc. All these kinds of insurance are now done by one firm instead of different firms as formerly. Companies with restricted objects were handicapped and the older companies, like the Union Insurance, had been extending their objects so as to compete on level terms with newer companies possessing wider powers. The proposed alterations of the articles would enable the Society to undertake all kinds of insurance except the ordinary life insurance. All the preliminary having been complied with, he would ask His Lordship to confirm the alterations.

His Worship granted the application.

WIRELESS IN CHINA.

A DANISH LOAN SIGNED FOR

£500,000.

The Minister of the Navy, Admiral Lu Kuang-hsing, has signed an agreement with the representative of the Danish firm Larsen & Co. for a loan of £500,000 for the construction of wireless stations for military and naval purposes. The term of the loan is 20 years, during which period Larsen & Co. will be permitted to control the stations in operation with Chinese officials. The material required will be obtained in foreign countries if obtainable in China.

It is understood that the agreement has not obtained the usual approval of the Chinese Government.

A notice of the monthly subscription for the Chinese Relief Committee has been received.

The first paper hunt of the season took place on Saturday afternoon, says the *Shanghai Mercury* of the 2nd inst. The paper was laid by Mr. D. W. Crawford (Master), and the course was from the Hungjiao and Warren Roads corner to the Schulte Line. The result was a popular win for Mr. A. W. Burkill, who pulled off his fortieth victory—a wonderful record. Mr. Burkill won his first hunt not less than 24 years ago.

The card returned read as follows, no fewer than three of the party returned being heavy weights.

(1) W. A. W. Burkill on Grey Goose.

(2) Y. W. Fitter on Bonnie Boy.

(3) T. Brooks on Duke Brown.

(4) C. N. Davis on Minnie.

(5) H. G. Tolson on Slip.

SPORTING.

HONGKONG GOLF CLUB.

The Captain's Cup Competition for December was won by Mr. R. J. Birbeck and the tie for the play-off is as follows:—

Ryan, E. J. Grist and M. A. Murray.

R. J. Birbeck v. A. B. Purris.

J. Hooper or C. C. Stark v. F. J. de Rome.

A. Ritchie v. R. M. Henderson.

Eldon Potter v. J. C. Fletcher.

Byes W. D. Kraft and L. J. Blackburn.

First round to be played off before Monday, January 14th.

Second round to be played off before Monday, January 21st.

Semi-final round to be played off before Monday, January 28th.

Final round to be played off before Monday, February 4th.

For the Christmas Holidays there will be an Electric Competition for men over the 18 hole course and for ladies over the Relief Course from Saturday, Dec. 22nd until Wednesday, Dec. 26th, and a Bogey Pool Competition for men over the 18 hole course for the same period, and a Medal Competition for ladies over the Relief Course of 9 holes on Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 22nd and 23rd.

In addition to the above there will be a mixed foursome competition over the Relief Course of 9 holes commencing on Saturday, Dec. 22nd and finishing on Christmas Day, Dec. 25th. On Boxing Day there will be a mixed Electric foursome competition over the 18 hole course. A Medal play to be played any time after noon: a silver cup has been kindly presented by Dr. Moore Graham of the *s.s. "Empress of Asia"* for the winning lady.

Details will be announced later.

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This match, played at Happy Valley on the 11th, resulted in a draw.

The scores were as follows:—

R. G. A.

Br. Athorne, run out ... 35

Br. Dix, c. Gordon, b. Cipwell ... 2

Br. Drummond, b. Reakes ... 0

Br. Sharrman, c. Lucas, b. Cipwell ... 3

C. Q. M. S. Ross, c. MacGregor, b. Reakes ... 4

Gr. Bains, b. Cipwell ... 1

Gr. Perkins, b. w., b. Adams ... 13

Gr. Maon, st. Waller, b. Reakes ... 2

Gr. Boocock, b. Adams ... 0

Br. Armatus, c. Lucas, b. Adams ... 2

Lt. Baker, not out ... 13

Extras ... 14

Total ... 69

R. E.

Br. S. Cipwell ... 11

C. Q. M. S. Ross ... 18

Cpl. Adams ... 53

Extras ... 0

Total ... 82

R. E.

Sgt. McGregor, c. Dix, b. Athorne ... 1

Spr. Gordon, c. Armatus, b. Athorne ... 12

Cpl. Adams, b. Boocock ... 2

C. Q. M. S. Ross, c. Drummond b. Boocock ... 5

Spr. Waller, c. Perkins, b. Athorne ... 29

Lt. Lucas, b. Boocock ... 0

S. Sgt. Cipwell, c. Mann, b. Athorne ... 10

Spr. Millard, not out ... 0

Lt. Pascal, b. Boocock ... 6

Cpl. Heath, not out ... 6

Extras ... 0

Total ... 65

Spr. Townsend did not bat.

R. E.

Br. Athorne ... 14

Gr. Boocock ... 14

Extras ... 2

Total ... 30

R. E.

Br. Athorne ... 14

Gr. Boocock ... 14

Extras ... 2

Total ... 30

R. E.

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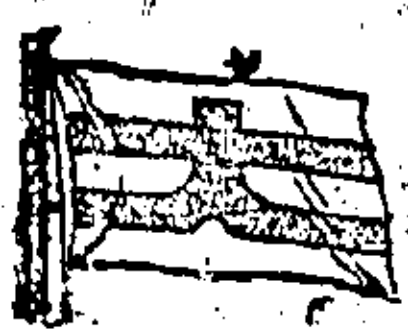
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7.30 a.m.—Right Half Company (Gun numbers other than specialists).
8.15 p.m.—Left Half Company (Gun numbers other than specialists).
FRIDAY, 14th instant.—
7.30 a.m.—Right Half Company Layers' and Sappers' Class only.
8.15 p.m.—Left Half Company Layers' and Sappers' Class only.

Orders for Engineer Company by Captain W. Russell.

7th to 14th instant.
2. L. Manning nightly at Belchers and at Lyceum. Parades as per posters posted at Headquarters.

Engine drivers at 5.15 p.m.
Electricians at 5.30 p.m.
OFFICERS NEXT FOR DUTY.
Belchers, 2nd Lieut. Matthewman.
Lyceum, 2nd Lieut. Templeton.
Stonemasons, 2nd Lieut. Brown.

Classes for instruction.
Classes for highly rating at Belchers at 8 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday, under Staff Sergeant Overend, and at 8 p.m. on Wednesday and Friday, under Staff Sergeant Morris, I.R.C.

To-day's Advertisements

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED, on

THURSDAY,

the 13th December, 1917, commencing at 10.30 a.m., and continuing at 2.30 p.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vaux Road, Corner of Lee House Street, A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF TOYS.

Comprising—

Equipments, Dolls, Teddy Bears and other Animals—Dolls (large and small), Trains, Motor Cars, Cricket Sets, Soldiers, Forts, Gun Emplacements, etc., Footballs, Boxing Gloves, Tea Sets, Furniture Sets, Games, Small Perambulators, Beds, Xmas Trees, Air Guns and Water Pistols, Fire Works, Crackers, etc., etc.

On view from Wednesday, at 3 p.m. Terms—Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,

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Hongkong, Dec. 12, 1917. 2283

EXCHANGE.

Hongkong, December 12, 1917.

On London—
Bank Wire ... 2/11 1/2
On demand ... 2/11 1/2
30 days sight ... 2/11 1/2
4 months sight ... 2/11 1/2
Credit, 4 months sight ... 2/11 1/2
Documentary, 4 months sight ... 2/11 1/2

On Paris—
On demand ... 4/11 1/2
Credit, 4 months sight ... 4/11 1/2

On New York—
On demand ... 7 1/2
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On Bombay—
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LOCAL AND REGULAR MAILS

OUTWARD.

For Week-Days

Sundays & Holidays

Tai O ... 5.00 P.M.

Tai Po ... 10.00 A.M.

Cheung Chow ... 7.30 A.M.

Shataukok ... 3 P.M.

Shingun ... 4.00 P.M.

Aberdeen ... 4.00 P.M.

Ping Shan ... 4.00 P.M.

Sai Kung ... 4.30 P.M.

Santien, Stanley ... 4.30 P.M.

Canton ... 7.30 A.M.

Macao ... 7.30 A.M.

Kongmoon ... 5.00 P.M.

Nantau and ... 5.00 P.M.

Samuel ... 5.00 P.M.

Shamchun ... 10.00 A.M.

Shamchun ... 4.00 P.M.

FROM SHEUNGWAN WESTERN

BRANCH P.O.

For Week-Days

Sundays & Holidays

Macao ... 7.30 A.M.

Canton ... 7.30 A.M.

Tai Ping ... 9.30 P.M.

Shok Li ... 9.30 P.M.

Kongmoon ... 6.00 P.M.

Kumchuk ... 6.00 P.M.

Kaukung ... 6.00 P.M.

Except Saturdays.

In the case of Mails closing before 3 a.m. Registration closes at 5 o'clock on the previous evening.

OFFICIAL NIGHTS IN HONGKONG.

The following table shows the Standard Time at which Official Night ends and begins during the month of Dec. 1917.

Date

Ends

Begins

Dec. 12th, 9.41 a.m.

13th, 6.43 "

14th, 6.43 "

15th, 6.43 "

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39th, 6.43 "

40th, 6.43 "

41st, 6.43 "

42nd, 6.43 "

FARES FOR PUBLIC

VEHICLES.

CHAIRS.

I.—In Victoria with two Bearers.

Quarter hour ... 10 cents

Half hour ... 20 "

One hour ... 30 "

Three hours ... 70 "

Six hours ... 1.00

A day (8 a.m. to 6 p.m.) ... \$1.00

If the trip is extended beyond Victoria, half fare extra.

Between the hours of 8.30 p.m. and 6 a.m. the above fares shall be increased by 50 per centum.

II.—Beyond Victoria, with four Bearers.

Hour ... 0.80 cents

Three hours ... 2.40 "

Six hours ... 4.80 "

A day (8 a.m. to 6 p.m.) ... 9.60 "

III.—In the Kowloon District.

With 2 Bearers With 4 Bearers.

Quarter hour ... \$0.15

Half hour ... 0.30 "

One hour ... 0.50 "

Two hours ... 1.00 "

Three hours ... 1.50 "

Six hours ... 3.00 "

A day (8 a.m. to 6 p.m.) ... 6.00 "

IV.—In the Island of Hongkong engage if in Victoria.

Ten minutes ... 5 cents

Half hour ... 10 "

One hour ... 20 "

Every subsequent hour ... 30 "

Note—If the ricksha is engaged within the City of Victoria, and is discharged outside the Western part of the City of Victoria after 9 p.m., or is discharged to the East of Bay View Police Station on the Eastern side of the City of Victoria after 9 p.m., an extra half fare shall be chargeable.

II.—In Kowloon.

Quarter hour ... 5 cents

Half hour ... 10 "

Hour ... 20 "

Every subsequent hour ... 30 "

III.—Taipo Road.

Twenty cents shall be added for each extra hour or part of an hour if the driver causes the journey to take longer than—

To 4th mile ... 75 cents ... 1 hour

Single ... \$1.00 ... 2 hours

Beyond 4th to 6th mile ... 1.50 ... 3 hours

Single ... \$2.00 ... 4 hours

Beyond 6th to 8th mile ... 2.50 ... 5 hours

Single ... \$3.00 ... 6 hours

Beyond 8th to 10th mile ... 3.50 ... 7 hours

Single ... \$4.00 ... 8 hours

Beyond 10th to 12th mile ... 4.50 ... 9 hours

Single ... \$5.00 ... 10 hours

Beyond 12th to 14th mile ... 5.50 ... 11 hours

Single ... \$6.00 ... 12 hours

Beyond 14th to 16th mile ... 6.50 ... 13 hours

Single ... \$7.00 ... 14 hours

Beyond 16th to 18th mile ... 7.50 ... 15 hours

Single ... \$8.00 ... 16 hours

Beyond 18th to 20th mile ... 8.50 ... 17 hours

Single ... \$9.00 ... 18 hours

Beyond 20th to 22nd mile ... 9.50 ... 19 hours

Single ... \$10.00 ... 20 hours

Beyond 22nd to 24th mile ... 10.50 ... 21 hours

Single ... \$11.00 ... 22 hours

Beyond 24th to 26th mile ... 11.50 ... 23 hours

Single ... \$12.00 ... 24 hours

Beyond 26th to 28th mile ... 12.50 ... 25 hours

Single ... \$13.00 ... 26 hours

Beyond 28th to 30th mile ... 13.50 ... 27 hours

Single ... \$14.00 ... 28 hours